GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
LOK SABHA

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ROBOT FOR SURGERY IN AIIMS
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Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is aware that All India Institute of Medical Sciences (AIIMS) , New Delhi has procured a Robot for undertaking surgery ;

(b) if so, whether the approval of Standing Finance Committee of the Institute has been obtained for the aforesaid procurement;

(c) if so, the date on which the procurement had been made and the amount spent thereon alongwith the name of the firm from which the Robot has been procured;

(d) whether the Robot has been functioning smoothly for undertaking the surgery ;

(e) if so, the details thereof; and

(f) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH & FAMILY WELFARE(DR. ANBUMANI RAMDOSS)

(a) to (f) According to All India Institute of Medical Sciences, the Da Vinci Surgical Robotic System for Cardiac Surgery has been procured by the Cardio-Thoracic and Neuro-Sciences Centre of AIIMS during March, 2003 costing US $ 1458333. This has been purchased from M/s. Intuitive Surgical Inc. The robot has been purchased after following the due procedures. The robot has been functioning smoothly for undertaking surgery.